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DETAILED ACTION

Introduction

1. **Claims 1-33 of U. S. Application 09/316,549 filed on 24-May, 1999, are presented for examination.**

Response to Amendment

2. The reply filed on 6/3/2003 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s):

3. Applicants were asked to supply documents *material to the patentability of the claims* (paper # 3, paragraphs 7-9 - as per 1.56), and paper # 7 (as per requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.105). Applicants respond (paper # 13) with various documents.

4. Applicants are thanked for providing "Pro/Intralink Documentation Release 3.0", various Pro/Engineer 2000i documents and Pro Engineer Part Modeling Users Guide Release 20.0 ("revision" 6/1998). However, Applicants were also required to submit earlier versions of Pro/Intralink and Pro/Engineer. *Applicants are silent in response.*

- Pro/Engineer: The Examiner also required earlier user's manuals for "Pro/ENGINEER" which has been developed by the current assignee and which appears to disclose the claimed invention (Applicants refer to Pro/Engineer in the IDS - paper # 5). The Examiner notes that Parametric Technology Corporation is the assignee for the instant application.

- Pro/Intralink: The Examiner also requested earlier user's manuals for "*Pro/Intralink*", which has been developed by the current assignee and which appears to disclose the claimed

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invention. The Examiner notes that Parametric Technology Corporation is the assignee for the instant application. Applicants have provided "Pro/Intralink Documentation Release 3.0" with an effective date of 9/6/2000, which is subsequent to Applicant's filing date, and which is irrelevant to the issues at hand in so far as Applicant's filing date is 5/24/1999. There are at least two earlier versions, including version 1 and 2.

5. See paper # 4 (form 892 - item # 3 - printouts from Parametric Technology Corporation website which indicate that Pro/Engineer and Pro/Intralink were publically available by 12/1997).

6. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

7. **Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be:**

directed to: Dr. Hugh Jones telephone number (703) 305-0023, Monday-Thursday 0830 to 0700 ET, *or* the examiner's supervisor, Kevin Teska, telephone number (703) 305-9704. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist, telephone number (703) 305-3900.

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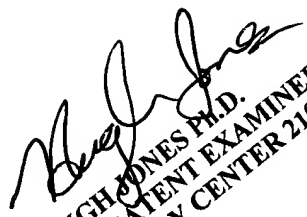
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